vegetative, which is inferior to the sensitite- The difference betwixt nature and •'•wisdom before observed* that wisdom is the first and highest thing, but nature the last and lowest ; this latter being but an umbratiie imitation of the former. And to this purpose, this plastic nature is further described by the same philosopher, in these words :

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spermatic reason or plastic nature is no "mind* or perfect* intellect, nor any kind of soul neither ; but something which depends upon it, being as it were an effolgetiry or eradiation from both together, mind and soul, or soul af
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. And though this plastic[1] nature contain no snail part of Di?in€ providence in it; yet, since it is a thing that cannot act electively nor with discretion, it must needs be granted, that there in a higher and Diviner providence than this* -which also presides over the corporeal world

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